

the City Councils, relative to a sale or exchange of the Society's Hall, reported progress.

The following resolution was offered by Mr. Foulke, which was read, considered and adopted:

*Resolved*, That a Committee of five be appointed, whose duty it shall be to consider the expediency of a memorial (and if expedient to prepare the draft of one) to the Legislature of the Commonwealth, containing such representations as they shall deem expedient for procuring the publication, in sections, on a large scale, of the general map of the geology of the State; and also the deposit, in the Department of State, of the materials procured during the geological survey of the State for said map, and for the reports of the State Geologist;—and that the said Committee make report at the next stated meeting of the Society.

The Committee appointed under this resolution consists of Mr. Foulke, Mr. Trego, Prof. Frazer, Dr. Le Conte and Dr. Franklin Bache.

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*Stated Meeting, April 20.*

Present, eighteen members.

Judge KANE, Vice-President, in the Chair.

Letters were read:—

From E. Brown Sequard, dated New York, April 10, 1855, acknowledging the receipt of notice of his election as a member of this Society:—

From the Geographical Society, dated Paris, Oct. 30, 1854, returning thanks for the Transactions of this Society. Vol. X. Part 3.

From the Boston Society of Natural History, dated April 12, 1855, acknowledging the receipt of Nos. 49–51 of the Proceedings: and—

From the Imperial Society of Sciences, Agriculture and the Arts, of Lille, without date, announcing a donation for the library.

The following donations were announced:—

FOR THE LIBRARY.

Bulletin de la Société Zoologique d'Acclimation; fondée le 10 Février, 1854. No. 1. Mars, 1854. Paris. 8vo.—*From Col. J. J. Abert, U. S. Army.*

Monthly Notices of the Royal Astronomical Society. Vol. XV. No. 4. April, 1855. London. 8vo.—*From the Society.*

The African Repository. Vol. XXXI. No. 4. April, 1855. Washington. 8vo.—*From the Am. Colonization Society.*

Journal of the Franklin Institute. Third Series. Vol. XXIX. No. 4. April, 1855. Philadelphia. 8vo.—*From the Institute.*

Report of the Twenty-fourth Exhibition of American Manufactures held in Philadelphia, from Nov. 14 to Dec. 2, 1854, by the Franklin Institute:—with a Catalogue of the Articles deposited;—and the Address delivered at the close of the Exhibition, by Thomas Balch, Esq. Philadelphia, 1855. 8vo.—*From the same.*

The Medical News and Library. Vol. XIII. No. 148. April, 1855. Philadelphia. 8vo.—*From Blanchard & Lea.*

On Adipocire and its Formation. By Charles M. Wetherill, Ph. D.M.D. (From Trans. Am. Phil. Soc. Read Jan. 19, 1855.) Philadelphia. 4to.—*From the Author.*

Trübner's Bibliographical Guide to American Literature; being a classified List of Books in all departments of Literature and Science, published in the United States of America during the last forty years:—with an Introduction, Notes, &c. London, 1855. 8vo.—*From N. Trübner & Co.*

Annual Reports of the Director of the U. S. Mint, Jan. 27, 1854, and Jan. 30, 1855. Washington. 8vo.—*From J. R. Snowden, Esq., Director.*

A letter was read from Mr. Robert Patterson, dated Locust street, April 20, 1855, transmitting, as a donation to the Society, on the part of his mother, a portrait of her deceased husband, Dr. Robert M. Patterson, late President of the Society:—

Whereupon, on motion of Mr. Fraley, it was unanimously resolved that the Secretary be directed to communicate the thanks of the Society to Mrs. Patterson for her valuable donation.

The Society then proceeded to the stated business of the meeting, the balloting for candidates for membership.

It being represented to the Society that Mr. Trübner, a London bookseller, has intimated a desire to purchase some copies of Du Ponceau's *Essay on Chinese Writing*, published by the Society in 1838,—it was resolved that the sale of said books be referred to the Librarian, with power to act.

Mr. Foulke, from the Committee appointed at last meeting on the subject of memorializing the Legislature in reference to the publication of the report of the Geological Survey of Pennsylvania,—made report to the Society that a meeting of the Committee had been held; but that nothing was agreed upon:—And the question being taken upon granting the Committee leave to sit again, leave was not granted, and the subject came up for the consideration of the Society:—

Whereupon, a draft of a memorial to the Legislature was presented by Mr. Foulke; and after discussion it was resolved that it is inexpedient for the Society to memorialize the Legislature upon the subject at present.

All other business having been concluded, the ballot-boxes were opened by the presiding officer, and the following named gentlemen were declared to be duly elected members of the Society:—

SAMUEL POWEL, of Newport, R. I.

ELISHA J. LEWIS, of Philadelphia.

REV. EBENEZER P. ROGERS, of Philadelphia.